

Communities Discussed In Recreational Report

(Ed. note: This is the second in a series of articles on the recent park and recreational system report submitted to the City Council on April 22.)
 For purposes of the report, which recommends that the city consider a civic, park, and recreational development at a cost of \$5,000,000, the city has been divided into 24 basic communities or potential communities.

COMMUNITY DEFINED
 As explained in last week's article, Kroeger and Associates, who made the extensive survey, define a community as an area comprising up to four neighborhoods covering about one square mile (640 acres) and up to 10,000 people. It usually has a small commercial section and is bounded by arteries, geographic features or industrial development to form a compact area.

Recommendations are not only based on its needs as measured by the total number of people, but concentration and forecast growth is also considered.

Last week's discussion dealt with three communities in North Torrance and the proposed park and recreational development in each. This article will concern

Copies of the brochure and maps including designated areas, facilities proposed, costs, and general outline of the projects are available for public viewing at the City Hall, both Torrance newspaper offices, city libraries, board of education, recreation dept. and other public places.

trate on the Central Torrance area with particular emphasis on communities 8, 10, and 11 as outlined in the report. All are bounded on the north by Del Amo Blvd. and the south by Torrance Blvd.

COMMUNITY 8
 Community 8 is a 630-acre plot with a relatively small population of 650 at present but can be saturated to 5500. It is bounded on the west by the city limits and the east by Hawthorne Blvd.

It is a completely undeveloped area zoned for heavy industry, though it is generally understood that home development has been a long-range plan by the owners, so states the report. The land at this time is used mainly for agricultural purposes and for pumping oil.

Kroeger and Associates recommend that the city cooperate fully with the county regional planning and county park and recreation departments in building a major regional Sports Center on the 135-170 acres comprising the western quarter of this area. Into this major park a golf course, swimming pool, tennis courts, ball diamonds and full sport facilities with adequate parking space to service them all would be built.

DONATE LAND
 When large-scale building starts, the report suggests that future housing developers be required to give at least 10 acres (two 5-acre community park sites) of park to the city.

Community 10 is defined as a 480-acre area with boundaries of Madrona Ave. on the west and Crenshaw Blvd. on the east. Total population is 1,504. The City Hall police building, and swimming pool are located in the southwest corner of this community.

The major recommendation for this area is the expansion of the Civic Center by approximately 30 acres making a total of 65 acres. This will take the Civic Center property back to the extension of Emerald Ave. At present the city has condemnation proceedings underway to obtain 50 to 60 additional acres to increase the Civic Center to 85 or 90 acres.

PUEBLO AREA
 Community 11 is an area of 530 acres with a heavy concentration of population in the residential area. It is bounded on the west by Crenshaw Blvd. and Western Ave. on the east. It is part of the old central Torrance area which has some commercial development and a great deal of heavy industrial.

One small park is already maintained in the Pueblo area

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According to Dr. Robert Barrett, Lions program chairman, his demonstration will include radiological testing equipment such as the Geiger counter used to detect radio active dust particles on peoples clothing.

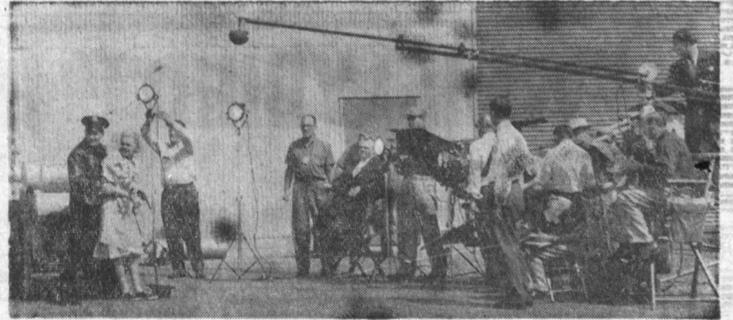
He will also show the ION Chamber used to determine the distance from the drop that peo-

Car Club Active Here

Members of the Torrance Police Car Club assn. went on a fishing trip April 28 and went to the Pomona Drag strip May 5.

The association is now open to independent clubs of Torrance that want to join. Deadline for membership is May 29. Interested clubs must bring their constitution, by-laws, and have a sponsor and advisor. Meetings are held on Wednesdays at the YMCA, 7:30 p.m.

ple may stay safely in the area. The Torrance Police department has four such ION chambers for immediate use in case of a local bombing.



MOVIE SET AT HARVEY
 Harvey Aluminum plant, 19200 S. Western ave., recently furnished a "live" set for one of the scenes from the new Paramount production, "Short Cut to Hell." In his first role as a director, James Cagney (seated center) observes leading lady Georgann Johnson being "captured."

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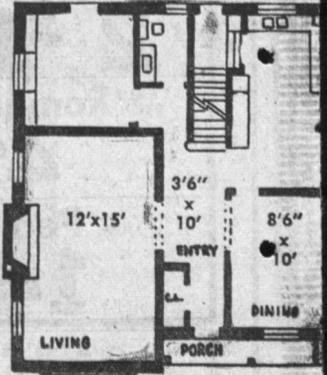
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